House Resolution No. 1396

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to recognize the important role that this state's public schools play in the educational development of countless young Missouri citizens; and

Whereas, Bode Middle School in the St. Joseph School District has distinguished itself as one of 226 public schools in 140 Missouri school districts to earn the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education "Top 10" honors; and

Whereas, Bode Middle School achieved Top 10 status based on its students' consistently high scores in one or more areas of the Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) examinations; and

Whereas, this marks the fourth time that Bode Middle School has appeared in the Top 10 honors program, which was established in 1999; and

Whereas, the Department's annual list of highest-performing schools identifies elementary, middle, and secondary schools with the highest percentages of students scoring at the "Proficient" and "Advanced" levels in each subject area and grade level covered by the mandatory MAP tests; and

Whereas, the purpose of the report is to recognize students and teachers in high-performing buildings and to identify successful schools such as Bode Middle School that can provide effective examples of ways to improve student achievement; and

Whereas, being listed among the state's ten top-performing schools in a particular subject and grade level is something about which students, teachers, and staff at Bode Middle School can be proud:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and best wishes to Bode Middle School and the St. Joseph School District at this proud moment of well-deserved distinction; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Bode Middle School in St. Joseph, Missouri.

Offered by
Representative Ed Wildberger
District No. 27
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1396, adopted April 3, 2003.
Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker